



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 03626.0066

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Ernest L. LAWTON et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1774  
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Application No.: 10/775,174 ) Examiner: Jill M. Gray  
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Filed: February 11, 2004 ) Confirmation No.: 9931  
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For: FIBER PRODUCT COATED WITH )  
PARTICLES TO ADJUST THE )  
FRICTION OF THE COATING AND )  
THE INTERFILAMENT BONDING )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In a restriction requirement dated July 15, 2005, the period for reply having been extended one month to September 15, 2005, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the following groups:

- I. Claims 1-52, drawn to a glass fiber product.
- II. Claims 53-60, drawn to a coating composition.
- III. Claims 61-65, drawn to a method for reducing tackiness.
- IV. Claims 66-68, drawn to a method of reducing damage to fibers.
- V. Claims 69-70, drawn to a method of reducing frictional drag.
- VI. Claim 71, drawn to a method of increasing interfiber separation.
- VII. Claim 72, drawn to a method of increasing fiber entanglement.

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-52, drawn to a glass fiber product, with traverse.


Applicants traverse for at least the reason that the subject matters of all the claims are all closely related. Further, additional claim fees have already been paid to account for the total number of claims greater than twenty and the number of independent claims greater than three. Thus, the burden to examine all of the closely related subject matter would be minimal and already fully accounted for by Applicants' fees.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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